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Date: 12 October '90 תאריך:

To: Harold and Lil (the keeper of THE FLAME) אל:

From: Joe מאת:

Re: Your historical correspondence... הנדון:

and my silent appreciation thereof:

Your last packet was a real treat, i.e. — the one to Yardley, Dan, Sol, Gunnar and Iraq "intelligence crisis" re Hoagland article, "A quick course of history."

Wow! How can my life-long friend pack so much information and contemporary history, and find time to give away (!) to strangers, and not lift a typewriter key to write the book I keep urging him (+ Vo.)?

Tomorrow, I fly-off to Israel for a month of volunteer work in Nazareth. With the Iraq crisis on a "Zitz-krieg" and the recent killing in Jerusalem, my trip this time makes me quite apprehensive. My family and friends beg me to stay home. My heart and "roots" draw me to my people's birthplace. So I will, on 13 Oct!

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Before I go, I must acknowledge your last letter and all the others I enjoyed so much and answered them so little. And when I did, it was so brief. Not because I had little to say, but because you said it all so well and I was ~~proud~~ fearful of you "wasting your seed" on strangers.

I hope you will look into your catch-all file and write that book (or a draft there-of) during my sojourn in the Holy Land. I'll go to the Wall, pray and get stoned, in the hope it will get you started on THE BOOK!

My next "letter" will come from where the action is — Israel. I hope to get down some personal observations on how the rank and file Israelis are taking the crisis. From my past experience I know they are doing their best to avoid a war with the Arab nations. This time, I fear Iraq will incite something to force Israel into a war (jihad) to unite the Arabs. If a war does break out it will be a quick and bloody one with great destruction. Israel cannot lose and Iraq cannot win. Shalom(?) Joe